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FROM:

Stan Martinson, Chief

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DATE:

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SUBJECT:

SUBMITTAL OF REGULATORY PROVISIONS OF AMENDMENTS TO

THE WATER OUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COAST

REGION

On June 2, 2000 the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board), adopted Resolution No. 00-001 amending the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coast Region (Basin Plan). The amendment revised the Basin Plan by removing the numeric nitrate objective for the San Lorenzo River. Water Quality will continue to be protected by the narrative Basin Plan taste and odor and biostimulatory effects objectives.

On November 15, 2001 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) adopted Resolution No. 2001-125, approving the amendment adopted by the Regional Board under Resolution No. 00-001.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11353, the regulatory provisions of the amendment are being submitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for approval. As required by that section, this submittal includes:

- 1. Seven copies of OAL Form 400 with the Clear and Concise Summary of Regulatory Provisions attached;
- 2. A summary of the necessity for the regulatory provisions, which will be found in the Regional Board's staff report;
- 3. A certification by the Chief Counsel of the State Board that the action was taken in compliance with all applicable procedural requirements of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, Water Code section 13000 et seq., and

California Environmental Protection Agency



4. The Administrative Record for the Regional Board and State Board proceedings on this matter.

The Regional Board's authority to adopt amendments to its Basin Plan is contained in Water Code section 13240. In adopting the amendments, the Regional Board was implementing Water Code sections 13240 through 13242.

We recommend that the regulatory summary be added to Title 23, Division 4, Chapter 1, titled "Water Quality Control Plans," Article 3, titled "Central Coast Region," as new section 3923: "Removal of the Numeric Nitrate Objective for the San Lorenzo River."

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, you may contact me at (916) 341-5458 (email: marts@swrcb.ca.gov). You may also contact Ling Tseng of the Water Quality Planning Unit at (916) 341-5558 (email: tsenl@swrcb.ca.gov), who is the lead staff on this matter, or Paul Lillebo, Chief of the Basin Planning Unit, at (916) 341-5551 (tillp@swrcb.ca.gov).

Attachments (3)

cc: (with attachments)

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Executive Officer
Central Coast Regional Water Quality
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San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-5427

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CONCISE SUMMARY OF REGULATORY PROVISIONS

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The amendment removes the numeric nitrate objective for San Lorenzo River from Chapter Three, page III-14 in the Basin Plan.

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

ACTION TAKEN: Submittal of information for the amendment to the

Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coast Region.

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board **DOCUMENT NUMBER:**

Resolution No. 00-001.

I certify that adoption of the amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coast Region was carried out in compliance with all applicable procedural requirements of Division 7 (commencing with Section 13000) of the Water Code.

Date: 12/18/01 Craig M. Wilson